17. Rs. 1,000 under "29—A—Civil Engineering—P. C. R. to public buildings"

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 under "29—A—Civil Engineering—P. C. R. to public buildings".

Demand put and carried

18. Rs. 2,578 under "39—Miscellaneous—3 price control (a) Food Supplies D. A."
19. Rs. 1,500 „ „ „ T. A."
20. Rs. 20,000 „ „ „ Other charges."

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Sir, I rise to move for additional allotments of Rs. 2,578, 1,500 and 20,000 under "39—Miscellaneous—3—Price Control Measures, Dearness allowance, travelling allowance and other charges" respectively. Due to the increased activities of the Department and the enhancement of the rates of dearness allowance, the allotments so far sanctioned have been found insufficient and hence the necessity for additional allotments now. The additional provision under "other charges" has been mainly necessitated by the increase in expenditure under rent of godowns, miscellaneous, furniture, etc., I request that the House may be pleased to vote the grants.

Demands put and carried

21. Rs. 2,523 under "19—Police—D. A."

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 2,523 under "19 Police—Dearness allowance", in view of the recent orders raising the rate of dearness allowance.

Demand put and carried

22. Rs. 8 under "13—Police—House rent allowance—Cranganur."
23. Rs. 1,233 under „ Dearness allowance."
24. Rs. 145 „ „ Travelling allowance."
25. Rs. 432 „ „ War Allowance."

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Sir, I move for additional allotments of Rs. 8, 1,233, 145 and 432, under "13—Police—Cranganur—house-rent allowance, dearness allowance, travelling allowance and war allowance" respectively.

Demands put and carried

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT BILLS

The Cochin Livestock Improvement Bill

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: Sir, I beg to present the report of the Select Committee on the Cochin Livestock Improvement Bill and to move that the Bill as reported by the Committee be taken into consideration.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: I second it.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: The only change effected by the Select Committee is the deletion of clause 21 of the Bill. The committee thought that by retaining this provision, the very purpose of the Bill will be nullified and hence the committee thought it will be advisable to delete the clause. That is the only change.

Motion put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur)*: I beg leave of the House to move that in place of the word "Superintendent" wherever it occurs in clause (2), the word "Director" shall be substituted. The whole idea is that since the man in charge of the particular work may happen to be a supervising officer, it is much better to have the more dignified name of "Director" than a humble "Superintendent" in the place. I hope the Government would accept the amendment.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: We have no objection, we accept the amendment.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur)*: All my amendments may be considered together, since they are based on the same principle.

Mr. President: We cannot consider amendments to more than one clause at a time.

Amendment put and carried

Clause 2 as amended put and carried

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Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I move that the word "Director" shall be substituted for "Superintendent" in clause 3 of the Bill.

Amendment put and carried

Clause 3 as amended put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bahskara Menon *(Cranganur):* In clause 4, a similar amendment with the same object.

Amendment put and carried

Clause 4 as amended put and carried

Clause 5 put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I move that in sub-clause (c) of clause 6, the word "Superintendent" may be replaced by the word "Director".

Amendment put and carried

Clause 6 as amended put and carried

Clause 7 put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* In clsuse 8, sub-clause (1), the word "Superintendent" existing there, may be substituted by the word "Director".

Amendment put and carried

Clause 8 as amended put and carried

Clauses 9, 10 and 11 put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I move that in clause 12, for the word "Superintendent" wherever it occurs, the word "Director" shall be substituted".

Amendment put and carried

Clause 12 as amended put and carried

Clauses 13, 14 and 15 put and carried

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I move that in clause 16, the word "Superintendent" occuring in both the places may be substituted by the word "Director".

Amendment put and carried

Clause 16 as amended put and carried

Clauses 17, 18, 19 and 20 put and carried

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Mr. President, Sir, I beg to move that after clause 20 of the Bill, the following clause shall be added as clause 21.—

"21.—Nothing contained in this Act shall apply to a bull dedicated in good faith for religious purposes, in accordance with any religious usage or custom, provided that notice of the dedication is given in the prescribed manner to the licensing officer".

This, I submit, Sir, is not a new amendment that I seek to make, but it was part of the Bill before it went to the Select Committee. It is also a section which finds a place in the Madras Act, which has a section on the same lines and our whole Bill is based upon and is practically a faithful copy of the Madras Act. I don't see any reason why such religious toleration and consideration of Hindu sentiments granted by the Madras Act should be negatived by an Act of this Legislature. My respectful submission is that as far as possible all legislative enactments should forbear touching the religious sentiments of His Highness' subjects, however small the number may be and however limited the sentimental objections might be. I submit, Sir, that it is only in very very exceptional cases that these bulls are dedicated to certain temples and I cannot see any reason how an enactment of this section is going to nullify the effect of the whole Live-stock Improvement Act as it was thought by the Select Committee. I therefore pray that this Hon'ble House may be pleased to accept this amendment.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Sir, I second the amendment and it is my great surprise that the Hon'ble Member for Nellayi in his advanced age when he ought to care more for the pet Sanathani faith, which he has been practising most strictly till now, has subscribed in going against the sentiments of thousands of Hindus. Probably, his name-sake who is not considered to be a sanathani influenced him to go against the time-honoured faith of his co-religionists to whom I have great admiration.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Are you a sanathani?

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Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I am not a sanathani. I am only a sympathiser of the sanathanies.....

It is also a surprise to me that all the other Hindus also subscribed to it. I fully agree with my Hon'ble friend Mr. Narayana Menon that in such cases we should respect the feelings of those who follow some form of religion in Cochin State. Of course, in Cochin State, we have a fresh advantage of our ruler also being the religious head of Hindus. This Council should not take advantage of imposing such legislations on unwilling people. But if it so pleases the religious head of the Hindus, as our benign ruler is to adopt this, let His Highness the Maharaja issue a Royal Proclamation. But this House should never be a party to infringe upon the religious sentiments of any subjects of His Highness the Maharaja. *(Hear, hear).* In addition to this I beg to submit to this House that even if the bulls are dedicated to temples the Devaswam department is at perfect liberty to auction or sell or do away with them just as they are at perfect liberty either to sell or melt the undesirable coins offered as offerings. Most of the important temples are managed by the Government and to such temples where bulls are dedicated instructions may be issued that only useful bulls of good breed should be kept and others may be sold. But people who believe in Hinduism, not the present day reformists, I mean the Hon'ble member for Nellayi who is not a sympathiser of the religious sentiments, if they offer a bull that should not be made penal. No body should be penalised because of his religious faith. With these few words I strongly support the motion.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* I don't find the necessity of inserting the word good faith. If a bull is dedicated in good faith—that is what is stated here. Why is good faith required? That is reduntant. The dedication is done in good faith. Otherwise there will be no dedication, if it is malafide. I would suggest that the words good faith are objectionable and may be deleted.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur):* If this amendment is accepted the purpose of the Bill would be defeated. There were many Hindu members on the Select Committee and if they had accepted the Bill in this form it means the sentiment is not so very strong in this State. Whatever be the state of affairs in Madras I think we are more advanced. *(Hear, hear).*

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* In what?

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur):* In this matter. If these bulls are allowed to be dedicated, the breed will become deteriorated in the country. There are ever so many temples and generally dedicated bulls will be of the cheapest variety. Dedication is only a matter of satisfying one's sentiments. If you want to better the quality of the breed this amendment should not find a place in the statute. I therefore strongly oppose this along with other Hindu members.

Mr. George Panikulam *(Irinjalakkuda):* I would suggest that if there is proper restraint to keep the bulls and prevent them from roaming about there will be no objection to have this amendment. They should be kept under restraint.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* According to me, in as much as this proviso is added, *viz.*, "provided that notice of dedication is given in the prescribed manner to the licensing officer" in the last part of the amendment, I do not think that there is any objection. There is, Sir, the usual custom of "Nadathallal". Somebody will pray that the calf born will be dedicated to God. It is only good that we do not wound such feelings. The latter portion of the amending clause gives a right by which the licensing officer can prevent dedication. I think that there is absolutely no objection in having this amendment incorporated in the main Act.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* There is absolutely nothing in it to prevent such dedication. He has only to give a notice to the licensing officer.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* I think the licensing officer can refuse.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* What?

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Sir, I oppose this amendment. The amendment is tabled in order to respect the sentiments of the people. Where does this sentiment come when the bulls are not of good breed? The supporters of this amendment have no objection to such bulls being dedicated. This is not on account of sentiment alone. Therefore I oppose this.

Mr. K. T. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* As was expressed by the Hon'ble Member for Kanayannur-Ezhuvas the purpose will be defeated if the amendment is accepted. Suppose one man dedicates one bull there will be about 300 persons in a village and if each man is to dedicate a bull there will be 300 bulls of this type wandering throughout the street, all sorts of

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undesirable species. Are we not to see that the quality of the livestock is improved. Practically it cannot be done if you allow the sentiment to be respected. It is right on the part of the Government to see that the amendment does not find a place in the statute. I therefore strongly oppose the amendment.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram):* I support the amendment.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ അമൻറുമെണ്ടിനെ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു. മഹാരാജാവു തിരുമനസ്സിലെ പ്രജകളിൽ വലിയൊരു വിഭാഗം ജനങ്ങളുടെ മതവിശ്വാസത്തിനു് ഹാനികരമാകുന്ന ഒരു സംഗതിയാണിതു്. ഇതു മതസംബന്ധമായ ഒരു ഫീലിംഗ് ജനങ്ങളുടെ ഇടയിൽ വരത്തക്കവിധത്തിലുള്ളതാകയാൽ ഇതിനെക്കുറിച്ചു നിയമസഭയിൽ ആലോചിക്കുവാൻ പാടുള്ളതല്ല. ഞാൻ സനാതനിയായിട്ടല്ല, എങ്കിലും ഈശ്വരവിശ്വാസിയാണു്, ക്ഷേത്രവിശ്വാസിയാണു്, അതുകൊണ്ടാണു് ഞാനിതു പറയുന്നതു്. ക്ഷേത്രങ്ങളിൽ നടതള്ളുക എന്നൊരു ഏർപ്പാടുണ്ടു്. ഇരുന്നൂറോ, മുന്നൂറോ ക്ഷേത്രങ്ങളിൽ നടതള്ളിവിടുന്ന മാടുകൾ നമ്മുടെ രാജ്യത്തുണ്ടെന്നു് ഞാൻ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നു. ഈ മാടുകളിൽനിന്നുണ്ടാകുന്ന സന്തതികൾ ചീത്തയായിപ്പോകുമെന്നു് വിശ്വസിക്കുകയാണെങ്കിൽ ഈ ബിൽ ഇവിടെ പാസ്സാക്കുവാൻ പാടില്ല. 500 മാടുകളെയാണു് കൊച്ചിരാജ്യത്തു് ഒരു കൊല്ലത്തേക്കുറക്കുമതി ചെയ്യുവാൻ നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു്. കറവമാടു്, കൃഷിപ്പണിക്കുള്ളമാടു്, വണ്ടിക്കു പൂട്ടുന്നതിനുള്ളമാടു് ഇവയൊക്കെ കൂടിയാണു്. നമുക്കു് 500 മാടുകളെ കിട്ടുന്നതു. ഇങ്ങിനെയുള്ള Restriction ബ്രിട്ടീഷ് ഗവമ്മേണ്ടു് വെച്ചിരിക്കുന്നിടത്തോളം കാലം ഇതുപോലും കർശനമായിട്ടുള്ള ഒരു നിയമം നമ്മുടെ നാട്ടിൽ വരുത്തുന്നതായാൽ, നമ്മുടെ നാട്ടിലുള്ള പശുക്കൾ പിറാതെയാകും; നമുക്കാവശ്യമുള്ള പാലും കിട്ടാതെയാകും. എന്നതന്നെയല്ല ഇതുമൂലം നമ്മുടെ നാട്ടിലെ വലിയൊരു വിഭാഗം ജനങ്ങളുടെ മതവിശ്വാസത്തിനു് ക്ഷതം വരുകയും ചെയ്യും. ഈ ക്ലോസ്സ് 2 (f) ഉപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നപക്ഷം ഈ ബിൽ ഇവിടെ പാസ്സാക്കാതിരിക്കുകയാണു് വേണ്ടതു് എന്നാണു് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതു്. ഈ ബിൽ പാസ്സാക്കുകയാണെങ്കിൽ ഈ ക്ലോസ്സ് 2 (f) ഒരിക്കലും എടുത്തുകളയുവാൻ പാടില്ല എന്നുള്ള അഭിപ്രായമാണു് എനിക്കുള്ളതു്.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Much has been said about wounding of religious susceptibilities. According to me, Sir, if those people who dedicates such bulls are actuated by sentiments of genuine piety they should be dedicating bulls of good breed. Therefore if the Bill as it stands if passed into law it does not involve any wounding of genuine religious sentiments. That is my humble view. This House will not be justified in respecting the sentiments of people who try to propitiate the Gods by dedicating cows of bad breed or calves about to die. There is a practice obtaining of dedicating cows or calves which are just about to die. I offer this as an offering to Lord Guruvayurappa. I have heard of such things. That sort of sentiments should not be respected. Therefore I appeal to this House not to lend their ears to such bogus sentiments. I strongly oppose this amendment, Sir.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ: സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ അമൻറുമെണ്ടിനെ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു. മതപരമായ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിന്മേലല്ല കാളയെ വാഹനമായിട്ടു ശിവൻ ഉപയോഗിക്കാറുള്ളതു്. ശിവക്ഷേത്രത്തിൻറെ നടക്കൽ കാളയെ നട അടിക്കുകയാണെങ്കിൽ അതുകൊണ്ടു ചില ഗുണങ്ങളെല്ലാമുണ്ടാകുമെന്നു ഹിന്ദുക്കൾ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. എങ്കിലും അതു് പൊതു ജനങ്ങളുടെ നന്മക്കു വിരോധമാകുകയാണെന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അങ്ങിനെ നടതള്ളാതിരിക്കുന്നതിനും നടതള്ളിയിട്ടുള്ള കാളകളെ ഒന്നോടെ നശിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിനും വേണ്ടതായ വിശാലമനസ്കത ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കുണ്ടെന്നാണു് എൻറെ വിശ്വാസം. ശിവൻറെ വാഹനം കാളയാണെന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിലും ഗണപതിയുടെ വാഹനം എലിയാണു്. ആ എലിയെ ആരും നടക്കൽ ഇരുത്തുകയൊ നടതള്ളുകയൊ ചെയ്യാറില്ല. എന്നതന്നെയല്ല എലിയെ കൊല്ലുന്ന കാര്യത്തിൽ ഒരു ഹിന്ദുവും ഇതേവരെ പ്രതികൂലാഭിപ്രായം പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതായി കേട്ടിട്ടുമില്ല. പ്ലേഗു വരുന്നതു എലിയിൽ നിന്നാണെന്ന തത്വം കണ്ടു പിടിച്ചതുമുതൽ സനാതനികളിൽ വെച്ചു സനാതനികളായിട്ടുള്ള ഹിന്ദുക്കൾപോലും നിവർത്തിയുള്ളിടത്തോളം എലിയെ കൊല്ലുവാൻ തയ്യാറായിട്ടുണ്ടു്. എന്നതന്നെയല്ല അങ്ങിനെ എലിയെ കൊല്ലുവാൻ പുറപ്പെടുന്ന ആളുകളെ പലവിധത്തിൽ സഹായിക്കുന്നുമുണ്ടു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു മതപരമായ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിന്മേലല്ല ഈ നടതള്ളിവിടുന്ന കാളയെ രക്ഷിക്കണമെന്നു് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതു്. ഗവമ്മേണ്ടിൽനിന്നു് നിവർത്തിയിട്ടുള്ള വിത്തുകാള, വിത്തുകാളയെന്നുള്ള നിലക്കു അതു എത്രത്തോളം പൊതുജനങ്ങൾക്കു ഉപകരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നുള്ളതു് ശരിക്കു ഒരു അന്വേഷണം നടത്തി

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യാൽ മാത്രമെ മനസ്സിലാക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കയുള്ളു. തുപ്പുണിത്തുറ ഒരു വിത്തുകാളയെ നിറുത്തീട്ടുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ അതുകൊണ്ടു വലിയ പ്രയോജനമൊന്നുമില്ലെന്നാണു് എന്റെ അന്വേഷണത്തിൽ നിന്നു് എനിക്കു മനസ്സിലാക്കുവാൻ സാധിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു്. അതുപോലെ രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ മറ്റുഭാഗങ്ങളിൽ നിറുത്തീട്ടുള്ള വിത്തുകാളകളെക്കൊണ്ടും വലിയ പ്രയോജനമൊന്നുംഇല്ലാതെയാണു് തൽക്കാലം കാണുന്നതു്. അതിനുപുറമെ എല്ലാ വർഗ്ഗത്തിലുംപെട്ട കാളകളേയും വിത്തു കാളകളായി ഓരോ വില്ലേജുകളിലും നിറുത്തുവാൻ സാദ്ധ്യമല്ല. ഒരു കാലത്തു കേരളത്തിലും നല്ല ജാതി കന്നുകാലികളുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. മെച്ചൂപത്തു എന്നാണു് അതിന്റെ പേർ. മെച്ചൂപത്തു ചെറിയ ജാതി പശുവാണു്. ധാരാളം പാൽ ഉണ്ടാകും. തീറ്റ വളരെ കുറച്ചു കൊടുത്താൽ മതി അങ്ങിനെയുള്ള ഗുണങ്ങളെല്ലാം ആ വർഗ്ഗത്തിനുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. ഇപ്പോൾ ആ വർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപെട്ട ഒരു പശുപോലും ഇല്ലാതായിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതിനു കാരണം ആ വർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപെട്ട കാളകൾ ഇല്ലാത്തതാണു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു നല്ല വർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപെട്ട കന്നുകാലികളെ ലഭിക്കണമെങ്കിൽ എല്ലാ വിഭാഗത്തിലുംപെട്ട കാളകളുണ്ടായിരിക്കണം. ഈ ഒരു ആവശ്യത്തിനാണു് ക്ഷേത്രത്തിലേക്കു കാളകളെ നടതള്ളാറുള്ളതു്. പഴയകാലം മുതൽ ശാസ്ത്രീയമായിട്ടുള്ള ഒരു ഉദ്ദേശസാദ്ധ്യത്തിനുവേണ്ടി നില നിറുത്തിയിരുന്ന ഒരു സമ്പ്രദായം ഇന്നുണ്ടാകാതിരിക്കുവാൻ വയ്യായെന്നുള്ള വിശ്വാസമാണു് ഇതിനെ അനുകൂലിക്കുവാൻ എന്നെ പ്രേരിപ്പിച്ചതു്. അല്ലാതെ മതപരമായ തത്വത്തിന്മേലല്ല. അതുകൊണ്ടു ഈ അമൻറുമെൻറിനെ ഞാൻ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു.

മിസ്റ്റർ പോപ്പുററലാൽ ഗോവൽസനലാലൻ: സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ അമൻറുമെൻറിനെ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു. ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ചിറവൂർ തത്തമംഗലം മെമ്പർ അവർകൾ പറഞ്ഞതു ശരിയല്ല. അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞതു് ഏതാണ്ടു് ചാകാറായ കന്നുകാലികളെയാണു് നടതള്ളുന്നതു് എന്നാണു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. ഭാസ്കരമേനോൻ: അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ നാട്ടിൽ അങ്ങിനെയായിരിക്കും.

മിസ്റ്റർ പോപ്പുററലാൽ ഗോവൽസനലാലൻ: അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ അനുഭവം വെച്ചുകൊണ്ടു് പൊതുവെ അങ്ങിനെയാണെന്നു പറയുന്നതു് ശരിയല്ല. എന്നാൽ എന്റെ അനുഭവം ഏറ്റവും നല്ലകാളകളേയാണു് നടക്കൽ വിടുന്നതു് എന്നാണു്. ചാകാറായ കാളകളേയാണു് നടതള്ളുന്നതു് എന്നു് അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞതു് അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ നാട്ടിലെ അനുഭവം വെച്ചായിരിക്കും. അല്ലെങ്കിൽ അദ്ദേഹംതന്നെ അതു ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ള അനുഭവം കൊണ്ടായിരിക്കും ഇങ്ങിനെ പറഞ്ഞതു്. അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ സ്വന്ത അനുഭവംവെച്ചുകൊണ്ടു ചാകാറായ കാളകളെ, അല്ലെങ്കിൽ രക്ഷിക്കുവാൻ നിവർത്തിയില്ലാതെ വരുന്ന കാളകളെയാണു് എല്ലാവരും നടതള്ളുന്നതു് എന്നു് അദ്ദേഹം ധരിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതു വലിയൊരബദ്ധമാണെന്നാണു് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എസ്സു്. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ: അങ്ങിനെ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ല. ഇംഗ്ലീഷിൽ പറഞ്ഞതു മനസ്സിലായിട്ടില്ലായിരിക്കും.

മിസ്റ്റർ പോപ്പുററലാൽ ഗോവൽസനലാലൻ. ഇംഗ്ലീഷു പഠിച്ചാൽ ഇതുപോലെയുള്ള അബദ്ധത്തിൽ ചെന്നു വീഴുമെന്നു വിചാരിച്ചു ഞാൻ അതു പഠിച്ചില്ല.

മതപരമായ വിശ്വാസത്തിനു് പ്രതിബന്ധമുണ്ടാക്കുന്നു എന്നു തന്നെയല്ല പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കു കൂടുതൽ മനോവേദനയുണ്ടാക്കുന്ന ഒരു വ്യവസ്ഥയാണു് ഈ ബില്ലിലുള്ളതു്. ഇപ്പോൾ മട്ടാഞ്ചേരിയിൽ കന്നുകാലികളെ രക്ഷിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള സ്ഥാപനങ്ങൾ നടത്തിപ്പോകുന്നുണ്ടു്. അമ്പലത്തിൽ നടതള്ളുന്ന കാളകളേയും ആ സ്ഥാപനത്തിൽ രക്ഷിക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. ഇങ്ങിനെയുള്ള കന്നുകാലികളെ നിറുത്തുവാൻ പാടില്ല എന്നു പറയുന്നതായാൽ ആ വക സ്ഥാപനങ്ങൾക്കു അതു വലിയൊരു നഷ്ടമായി തീരുന്നതാണു്. കൂടാതെ ഈ രാജ്യത്തുള്ള കാളകൾ ഉണ്ടാകുവാൻ പാടില്ല എന്നുള്ള വിചാരത്തോടുകൂടി ഈ ബിൽ ഇങ്ങിനെ പാസ്സാക്കിയാൽ അതു പൊതുജനങ്ങൾക്കു സഹായത്തിനു പകരം ഒടുവിൽ വളരെ മോശമായിട്ടു തീരുമെന്നുള്ളതു് എല്ലാവരും ഇവിടെ പ്രസ്താപിച്ചു കഴിഞ്ഞു. ഇതു മൂലം ഒടുവിൽ കൃഷിക്കാർക്കു കൃഷിചെയ്യുന്നതിനുകൂടി കാളകളെ കിട്ടാതെ വരും. ഇവിടെ Grow more food campaign നടത്തുന്നുണ്ടു്. കന്നുകാലികളെ കിട്ടാതെ കൂടുതൽ കൃഷി ചെയ്യുവാൻ സാദ്ധ്യമല്ല. അതുകൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ ഈ അമൻറുമെണ്ടിനെ ഹാർദ്ദമായി പിന്താങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളുന്നു.

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Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Sir, I was also a member of the Select Committee. I thought over the matter very carefully and not because my name sake was able to disuade me from religious feelings. I do not think it is so very easy to disuade me from religious feelings. When we dedicate a bull we repeat a mantra and that mantra is "ഹേ! ഋഷഭരാജാ യഥേഷ്ടംസഞ്ചര". Oh, King of the bulls, roam as you like. In former times the public used to have some sympathy towards the religious sentiments of those people who dedicate these bulls. But now-a-days they have no sympathy. When the bull enters the fields surely either it is beaten to death or taken to the pounds. In a few days the bull will not be seen anywhere. So I thought it better not to dedicate such bulls and allow them to go to the pounds or to be beaten to death. That is the very reason why I signed the report of the Select Committee.

Mr. N. Govinda Pai *(Nominated):* I have very great pleasure in supporting this amendment. As far as my experience goes in Mattancheri I have found for a very long time that it is the temples that give the best bulls for breeding and for giving good progeny. For the last 30 or 35 years this is my experience. I find it is the Cochin Thirumala Devaswam and Gujarathi Pinjarapole that have been giving free service in this respect. The best bulls could be had only there. I do not know why so many people object with this proposition. It is the best bulls that are dedicated. Experience may be otherwise in Chittur or Tattamangalam. I find I cannot but support the amendment and I have always found that when a dedication is made it is not on the lines suggested by the Hon'ble Member for Tattamangalam. That is not so here. That has been my experience.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* When I listened to the arguments advanced in support of this amendment in this House it appeared to me that there is a provision some where in this Bill by which a person is prohibited from making a dedication of bulls to temples. There is no such provision, contained in this Bill. Any member of the public who is entitled to make such a dedication, has his right in tact. He is not prevented from making a dedication. What the Bill says is that if a bull is dedicated to a temple and if it is to be used for breeding purposes, a license has to be taken. If no license is taken, it cannot be used for that purpose. There is no question of religious sentiments being respected involved in this matter as no religion. It is a case where license can be given to a bull fit for breeding purposes enjoins that bad bulls should be allowed to breed cattle. None of the provisions will affect the rights and sentiments of any section of His Highness' subjects. No person is expected to make a contractual obligation, that even if the bull that he dedicates is bad, it should be allowed by the temple authorities for breeding purposes. The Devaswam Department has the ownership of these bulls and they can retain them or sell them as they like. I have seen a bull dedicated to a temple having been cruelly subjected to burning which caused its show and painful death. The deletion of clause 21 does not really affect the religious sentiment of any class of people. You are at perfect liberty to make the dedication. If it is to be used for breeding purposes then it must be declared to be fit for such a purpose by the license. We issued in that behalf under the provisions of this Bill. That is the only result. With regard to dedicated bulls which are proposed to be castrated one cannot say that the bull dedicated by him should not be castrated. I never for a moment think that the Bill affects the religious sentiments of any people. The very fact that the Hon'ble Member for Nellayi agreed to the deletion strengthened me in the belief that in no way it affects the sentiments of the people. These were the reasons which induced in the Select Committee to vote for the deletion of this clause.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* May I know what is the view of the Government, whether they oppose or whether they only explain?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* As the amendment is moved on religious grounds, I wish to ascertain the views of the House. Government will remain neutral.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* A word of reply to the various explanations and objections raised by the Hon'ble Members. The objections or explanations put forward by the Hon'ble Member for Law are perfectly true and valid. He submits that it does not prevent the dedication of bulls. I respectfully ask why should the explanation not be made there as in the Madras Act. They were quite correct. Is it so unconscionable to have those provisions of the Madras Province from when we are copying these things. Are they the less wise or are we the wiser for that. My respectful submission is it is not that the Provincial Government have not bestowed so much thought upon the Legislation which has been passed in the Madras

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Council. It should have been very carefully and sincerely scrutinised by the Hon'ble Members of that Council and this section forms part of that Bill. This new section was there and is there even to-day in the Madras Act. As regards the other objection that it is going to explode or under mine the whole Bill and place the live stock entirely in a degenerated condition as manipulated it has been explained already. It may be that coins which cannot be passed on to the treasury can be easily deposited in the temple. Gold of low purity can be used for making ornaments in temples. My respectful submission is that we must place confidence on the good sense of the donor dedicating the right thing when we dedicate a thing to God we d it with a sentiment. The best only we do and not the worst as adverted to by the Hon'ble Member Mr. Govinda Pai. I have also some experience. While I was a student here a bull was dedicated from Thottakat house. I have climbed some mango trees here for avoiding him. There was a famous Kachan's keetan which was dedicated at the time of Sir T. Vijayaraghavachari. Those things we cannot forget. The right of the man who wants to dedicate the bull should not be prevented. He should not be prevented from exercising his religious rights. Dedication of a castrated bull is descration.

There is another aspect also, Sir, when a bull is dedicated to a temple its castration is unthinkable and unthought of. The difficult possibility of the whole herd of cattle of the State being contaminated by a bull or two roaming about in a temple I do not think it so serious or important as to make this Hon'ble House to some to the conclusion that this amendment is uncalled for. Therefore, I commend this to the acceptance of this House and as was remarked by the Hon'ble Minister I also leave it to the judgment of the House.

Motion put and lost

Mr. K. Narayanan Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: A poll, Sir.

Ayes

Messrs.	1.	Mrs. Thankamma N. Menon	Messrs.	5.	Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan
	2.	C. V. Iyyu		6.	A. T. Kunhipalu
	3.	K. S. Panicker		7.	K. Narayana Menon
	4.	P. Narayana Menon		8.	N. Govinda Pai

Noes

Messrs.	1.	Khan Sahib Ismail Haji Easa Sait	Messrs.	8.	V. K. Bhaskara Menon
	2.	B. M. Peter		9.	Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan
	3.	K. T. Achyutan		10.	George Panikulam
	4.	K. R. Achyutan		11.	T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar
	5.	A. Eachara Menon		12.	M. Krishna Menon
	6.	Joseph Petta		13.	V. K. Kutty
	7.	T. P. Poulose		14.	P. K. Krishnan
				15.	C. K. Nayar

Mr. President: 8 for and 15 against. The motion is lost.

Clause 1 put and carried

Title and Preamble put and carried

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: Sir, I move that this Bill be taken up for final consideration on Monday.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: I second it.

Motion put and carried

The Cochin Vagrancy Bill

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: Mr. President, Sir, I rise to move that the Cochin Vagrancy Bill be read in Council.

In making this motion for the acceptance of this House I should like to explain briefly the history of this legislation, the fundamental principles underlying it, as also a summary of its main provisions.

History of the legislation.—Hon'ble Members of this House must be aware that the problem of beggars in this State has been, for a long time past, the subject of constant discussion not only inside this House but outside also. As a result of one such discussion on the floor of this House in December 1935, Government appointed an *ad hoc* committee to suggest ways and means to solve the problem. The scheme put forward by that committee was an impracticable one. Its

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